

COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY  
BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of:

|                          |   |                     |
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| PURCHASED GAS ADJUSTMENT | ) |                     |
| FILING OF NATURAL ENERGY | ) | CASE NO. 2009-00101 |
| UTILITY CORPORATION      | ) |                     |

O R D E R

On December 18, 1991, in Case No. 1991-00138, the Commission approved rates for Natural Energy Utility Corporation ("Natural Energy") and provided for their further adjustment in accordance with Natural Energy's gas cost adjustment ("GCA").<sup>1</sup>

On March 5, 2009, Natural Energy filed its proposed GCA to be effective April 1, 2009. Because Natural Energy's GCA represents a decrease in rates, 30 days' notice is not required for an April 1 effective date.

After reviewing the record in this case and being otherwise sufficiently advised, the Commission finds that:

1. Natural Energy's notice includes revised rates designed to pass on to its customers its expected change in wholesale gas costs.
2. Natural Energy's notice sets out an expected gas cost ("EGC") of \$4.9113 per Mcf, which is a decrease of \$1.5574 per Mcf from the previous EGC of \$6.4687.
3. Natural Energy's notice sets out no current quarter or total supplier refund adjustment.
4. Natural Energy's notice sets out a current quarter Actual Adjustment ("AA") of (\$.2000) per Mcf. In calculating its total AA, Natural Energy carried forward

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<sup>1</sup> Case No. 1991-00138, Columbia Gas of Kentucky, Inc. vs. Kentucky-Ohio Gas Company (Ky. PSC, Dec. 18, 1991).

incorrect AAs from two prior GCA filings. Correcting for this produces a total AA of \$.9373 per Mcf, which is a decrease of \$.1931 per Mcf from the previous total AA of \$1.1304. The recalculation of Natural Energy's total AA for Schedule I is shown below.

C. ACTUAL ADJUSTMENT CALCULATION

|   | <u>Unit</u> | <u>Amount</u> |
|---|-------------|---------------|
| Actual Adjustment for the Reporting Period (Sch IV) | \$/Mcf      | (\$0.2000)    |
| +Previous Quarter Reported Actual Adjustment        | \$/Mcf      | (\$0.1188)    |
| +Second Previous Quarter Reported Actual Adjustment | \$/Mcf      | \$0.4391      |
| +Third Previous Quarter Reported Actual Adjustment  | \$/Mcf      | \$0.8170      |
| =Actual Adjustment (AA)                             | \$ Mcf      | \$0.9373      |

5. Natural Energy's GCA is \$5.8486 per Mcf, which is a decrease of \$1.7505 per Mcf from the previous GCA of \$7.5991.

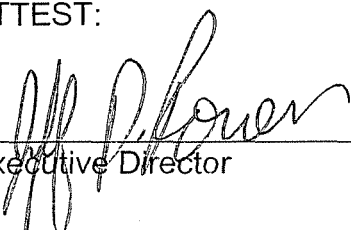
6. The rates in the Appendix to this Order are fair, just, and reasonable, and should be approved for billing for service rendered by Natural Energy on and after April 1, 2009.

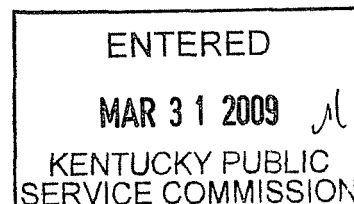
IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that:

1. The rates proposed by Natural Energy are denied.
2. The rates in the Appendix, attached hereto and incorporated herein, are approved for billing for service rendered on and after April 1, 2009.
3. Within 20 days of the date of this Order, Natural Energy shall file with the Commission its revised tariff sheets setting out the rates authorized herein.

By the Commission

ATTEST:

  
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Executive Director



## APPENDIX

### APPENDIX TO AN ORDER OF THE KENTUCKY PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION IN CASE NO. 2009-00101 DATED MAR 31 2009

The following rates and charges are prescribed for the customers in the area served by Natural Energy Utility Corporation. All other rates and charges not specifically mentioned herein shall remain the same as those in effect under authority of this Commission prior to the effective date of this Order.

#### RATES:

| <u>Monthly</u> | <u>Base Rate</u> | <u>Gas Cost<br/>Recovery<br/>Rate</u> | <u>Total<br/>Rate</u> |
|----------------|------------------|---------------------------------------|-----------------------|
| All Mcf        | \$4.24           | \$5.8486                              | \$10.0886             |

#### Minimum Bill

The minimum bill shall be \$10.0886

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